Table 3.—Solar radiation measurements, and determinations of atmospheric turbidity factor, β, Washington, D.C., May 1933

[Values in italics have been interpolated]

| Date and solar hour angle | Solar alti- tude, h. | Air mass, m. | I. | I, | I, | β | Blue- ness of sky | Atmospheric dust particles per cubic centimeter | Notes: (sky- |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|---|-------------------------|---|--------------|
| May 18 5:43a 5:39a 5:26a 5:20a 5:5:01a 4:57 a 3:51 a 3:44 a | 15-29 16-05 18-34 19-44 23-26 24-12 37-04 38-22 | 3. 70 3. 58 3. 12 2. 95 2. 51 2. 43 1. 65 1. 61 | gr. cal. 0. 776 .812 .888 .914 .990 .997 1. 141 1. 139 | gr. cal. 0. 593 . 596 . 664 . 667 . 706 . 711 . 818 . 818 | 9r. cal. 0.510 .514 .539 .543 .570 .573 .648 .651 | 0. 090 . 080 . 070 . 068 . 070 . 072 . 105 . 115 | 5 | 727 | P=56.4% |

POSITIONS AND AREAS OF SUN SPOTS

[Communicated by Capt. J. F. Hellweg, Superintendent United States Naval Observatory. Data furnished by Naval Observatory, in cooperation with Harvard, Perkins, and Mount Wilson observatories. The differences of longitude are measured from central meridian, positive west. The north latitudes are plus. Areas are corrected for foreshortening and are expressed in millionths of sun's visible hemisphere. The total area, including spots and groups, is given for each day in the last column]

| | Heliogr Eastern | | eliograp | hic | Area | | Total area | |
|---|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------|------|---------------|--------------------|
| Date | | standard civil time | | Longi- tude | Lati- tude | Spot | Group | for each day |
| 1933 May 1 (Naval Observatory) | 11 | m. | | o No spot | | | | |
| May 2 (Naval Observatory) May 3 (Mount Wilson) May 5 (Naval Observatory) May 6 (Mount Wilson) | 9 10 9 | 38 30 29 30 | | No spot No spot No spot No spot | s s s | | | |
| May 7 (Naval Observatory) May 9 (Mount Wilson) May 12 (Mount Wilson) May 13 (Naval Observatory) | 9 11 13 | 29 17 5 8 | -22. 0 +8. 0 | No spot 158.4 147.6 No spot | -6.0 -13.0 s | | 6 4 | 6 4 |
| May 14 (Naval Observatory) May 15 (Mount Wilson) May 16 (Naval Observatory) May 17 (Naval Observatory) | 13 14 14 | 11 0 7 39 | | No spot No spot No spot No spot | 8 8 8 | | | |
| May 18 (Naval Observatory) May 19 (Naval Observatory) | | | $^{+12.0}_{+22.0}$ | | +7.0 | | 12 25 | 12 25 |

POSITIONS AND AREAS OF SUN SPOTS-Continued

| Date | | Eastern standard clvil time | | Heliographic | | | Area | |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|-----|--|---------------|------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | | Longi- tude | Lati- tude | Spot | Group | for each day |
| May 20 (Naval Observatory) | h. 12 10 11 11 10 12 10 11 | 13 26 19 30 20 35 |] : | 70. 3 327. 9 69. 9 326. 3 353. 6 No spot No spot | S | 6 | 46 46 93 28 93 12 | 46 46 93 121 12 6 |
| May 29 (Naval Observatory) May 31 (Mount Wilson) Mean daily area for May | 13 9 | 56 26 | | No spot No spot | | | | 15 |

PROVISIONAL SUN-SPOT RELATIVE NUMBERS FOR MAY 1933

(Dependent alone on observations at Zurich and its station at Arosa)

[Data furnished through the courtesy of Prof. W. Brunner, University of Zurich,
Switzerland]

| May 1933 | Relative numbers | May 1933 | Relative numbers | May 1933 | Relative numbers |
|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 2 3 4 5 | 0 8 0 0 | 11 12 13 14 15 | 0 0 0 0 | 21 22 23 24 25 | 12 11 17 12 8 |
| 6 7 8 9 10 | 0 0 0 8 8 | 16 17 18 19 20 | 0 8 12 | 26 27 28 29 30 | 0 0 0 |
| | | | | 31 | 0 |

Mean: 28 days=3.7.

AEROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

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Free-air temperatures during May were considerably above normal at the stations shown in table I, except at Norfolk where they were close to normal. Notwithstanding the positive temperature departures, those of relative humidity were likewise positive at most stations.

In most cases the free-air resultant wind velocities for the month exceeded the normals, except in the upper Mississippi Valley and Upper Lakes region where they were below normal. Resultant wind directions were, in general, close to normal, except in the southern section where a preponderance of southerly winds occurred.

Upper-air observations were discontinued on April 30, 1933, at Ellendale incident to closing the station on June 30. Hence all the data given in table I are based on airplane observations.